

Chronological Table of Developments in Security
Perforations, etc.

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- 1841. Pen-cancelling introduced.
- 1855. Advertising Rings added to Postal Stationery.
- 1856. Draft Stamps overprinted on face.
- 1858. Sloper Patents perforating machine.
- 1859. Oxford Union Society overprints issued.
- 1867. Firms granted permission to underprint.
- 1868. Sloper granted permission to perforate postage stamps.
- 1869. Oxford Union Society instructed to underprint.
First full-name perforations.
- 1870. Oxford Union Society underprints issued.
First overseas perforations by Sloper.
Sloper cancellations for Postcards inaugurated.
Foreign Bill & Inland Revenue stamps first perforated.
- 1872. Sloper patent expires.
- 1873. Great Eastern Railway underprints issued.
Eden Fisher founded his business.
Full Name controversy.
Hancock's business founded.
- 1875. Sloper moves from Walbrook House to 6 &-7 King William Str.
- 1876-7. Sidney Allchin founds business.
- 1877. Poundage to Stamp Vendors revoked.
- 1878. Sloper becomes Postmaster.
Sloper removes to 20 King William Street.
- 1879. Limitation of Poundage.
- 1882. All underprints ceased. Privilege withdrawn by Post Office.
- 1883. Death of Sidney Allchin.
- 1883-4. Braham founds business.
- 1886. Braham censured by Post Office.
Initial Perforating Co., takes over Hancock's business.
- 1887. First American made perforating machine for cheques etc.
- 1890. Death of Joseph Sloper.
Chambers of Commerce request for special common perforation
- 1892. Death of Hancock.
- 1894. Advertising rings around embossed stamps abolished.
Merchants' Memorial to Postmaster General regarding Non-Negotiable stamps.
- 1897. Slopers' censured by Post Office.
- 1898. Initial Perforating Company fails and is struck-off.
- 1903. Underprinting revived.
- 1908. Perforation of postage stamps permitted in U.S.A.
- 1914. Slopers' remove to 22 Budge Row.
- 1919. Post Office orders puncturing of stamps for Telegraphic use
Free postage privilege for Oxford Union Society members
withdrawn.

- 1933. Hugh Vallencey publishes first pamphlet on perforated stamps.
- 1937. Slopers' publish pamphlet on the History of their Firm.
- 1941. Slopers' destroyed by enemy action.
Slopers' remove to New Bridge Street.
- 1941-7. Charles Bein writes articles in West End Philatelist
giving particulars of "Spifs".
- 1948. Vallencey pamphlet re-published.
- 1956. C. Jennings writes articles on "Security Endorsements" in
"Stamp Collecting".
- 1957. Security Endorsement and Perfin Society of Great Britain
founded.